

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the second paragraph of the BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION (on page 1 of the application) with the following:

Many prior art methods have attempted to color and wave hair at the same time. In many of those prior art processes, the stylist applies the coloring and permanent waving agents at the same time. U.S. Patent 4,781,724 (issued 1 November 1988 to Wajaroff, et al.), for example, discloses a method for the simultaneous dying and permanent waving of hair. In the Wajaroff method, a coloring chemical composition is added to the permanent wave fixing chemical composition in order to prevent unwanted yellow or gray tones in the hair. Other prior art disclosures similar to Wajaroff include U.S. Patent 5,188,639 (issued 10 March 1992 to Schultz et al.) and U.S. Patent 5,161,553 (issued 10 November 1992 to Cohen et al.). Schultz discloses a method of mixing a coloring agent with a permanent waving agent, thus applying two chemical compounds to each strand of hair. [[ . ]] Cohen discloses a method for waving and coloring hair in an essentially simultaneous process where the coloring agent is applied not with the permanent waving agent but with the post-waving neutralizing agent. All of these prior art methods envision waving and coloring all of a subject's hair at the same time and do not allow for highlighting or waving just a portion of the subject's hair.